From:

Subject:

Latimer, Becky

Sent:

Tuesday, January 14, 2020 9:36 AM

To:

2019-281-S

Dear Harold Tillman,

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Sincerely, Becky Latimer

From:

Easterling, Deborah

Sent:

Tuesday, January 14, 2020 9:08 AM

To:

Latimer, Becky

Subject:

FW: [External] Palmeto Utilities Protest

----Original Message---

From: Harold Tillman 🐔

Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 8:43 AM To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov> Subject: [External] Palmeto Utilities Protest

Sent from my iPhone



From:

Latimer, Becky

Sent:

Subject:

Tuesday, January 14, 2020 9:38 AM

To:

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Dear Rhonda LaFrance.

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From: Easterling, Deborah

Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 9:08 AM

To: Latimer, Becky

Subject: FW: [External] "Letter of Protest Against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020."

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020 7:28 PM To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>

Subject: [External] "Letter of Protest Against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020."

To Whom it Concerns,

Please help me understand why my sewage is going up from \$52 to \$66. The letter did not provide an itemized list of expenses to help me understand the increase.

I already have to pay for extra coverage in the event something goes wrong with water/sewage and now an additional expense to cover off.

I understand there will be a public hearing and requesting additional information.

Kind regards,

Rhonda LaFrance

Sent from Mail for Windows 10



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Robin L. Sisco
Columbia, SG

Dear Robin L. Sisco,

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Sincerely, Becky Latimer

Sisco, Robin L - Columbia, SC

The Commission
The Office of Regulatory Staff
1401 Main St, Ste 900
Columbia, SC 29201

January, 3, 2020

Subject: Docket no. 2019-281-S

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is in Protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020.

I disagree with any sewer rate increase above \$52.10 because it is unfair to households with only 1 person, elderly people on fixed incomes and other struggling families.

If I had known about the previous rate increase, I would have protested that as well, but I didn't and now it is too late.

The rates have increased significantly, more than 50%, just over the last few years. Any other utility company would never make a rate increase that high.

I understand it is to install new meters and other services, but whoever voted for the first unfair amount of \$52.10, should let that amount stand and use that income to make repairs or improvements and then the rate should be significantly DROPPED within a couple of years.

At the very least, we should be charged according to use, and not force every single household to pay the same amount.

I am a single, divorced, disabled USMC veteran who is getting ready to retire, and I cannot afford these high rates, especially when I use minimal amounts of water/sewage.

Thank you,

Robin L. Sisco

Columbia, SC ?